

## Evening Brief

Date/Time Stamp: Thursday, August 20, 2015 - 8:49 PM

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### Weather Summary

Today will be another day very similar to yesterday with warm and dry conditions across the geographic area under dry west/northwest flow. The hottest temperatures continue to be found over western and southern Nevada where min RH's are also below 10%. The airmass is quite dry elsewhere with min RH's below 15% in most places. Overnight recoveries are still fair over Utah and Idaho.

On Friday a shortwave trough drops into the Northern Rockies for an increase in winds across much of the area. The strongest winds will be over western Wyoming and central/southern Utah ahead of the front. Cooler temperatures will move in behind the front in Idaho for Friday and across Utah on Saturday. Not much cooling will come to western or southern Nevada.

Limited southerly moisture moves into Utah on Friday for isolated, mainly mountain thunderstorms. As the flow becomes more northerly on Saturday the thunderstorms will be limited to southern Utah.

Warm and dry conditions return for Sunday as the ridge strengthens over the Great Basin. Monsoonal moisture surges northward through Utah on Tuesday and Wednesday for generally wet showers and thunderstorms.

Another trough moves into the PacNW on Tuesday which may result in an increase in thunderstorm over Idaho for Wednesday. These storms will likely be short lived.

### Preparedness Levels

#### Current:

Great Basin	4
National	5

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### Great Basin Fire Activity: (Numbers gathered from Sit Report)

**New Fires and Acres: 5 fires 1,244 acres**

Minimal initial attack activity throughout the geographic area today. Significant gains were achieved on multiple large fires. Shortages of critical resources continue to hamper suppression efforts.

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### Resources:

Shortages of critical resources continue to hamper the likelihood of success of suppression strategies in multiple large fires.



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### Great Basin Fire Potential Summary

Fire Danger will be moderating somewhat across the far north through Thursday with a lack of new lightning ignitions. However, the air mass remains dry, with low afternoon RH and continued breezy winds today, with **stronger winds and low RH Thursday/Friday increasing fire potential on existing fires and any new starts, especially in ID.**

Further south across southern Nevada and Utah the fire danger will be gradually increasing as the air mass continues to dry out and fire danger indices increase. Thunderstorms may return to UT on Friday, with a more significant increase in lightning in eastern NV/UT/southern ID/WY by early next week, with moisture spreading north through next week.

### Current Incident Details

**Todays Activity (from WFDSS):**

fires occurred overnight	Incident Name	Unique Fire Identifier	Size	Status	Latitude	Longitude	Pt. Of Origin Sage Grouse Habitat
	Big Tinker Creek	2015-IDPRI-000941	0.1	Not Contained	46.0938	115.7945	No
	Alturas	2015-IDSTF-000372	0.1	Contained 08/20/15	43.9126	114.8503	No
	No Bidness	2015-IDPAF-000218	0.1	Not Contained	44.7089	116.2213	No
	Little Mud	2015-IDSI-000217	1.7	Contained 08/20/15	45.0516	116.3368	No

### Large/Emerging Fire Summary:

Great Basin Priority Summary Based on the Most Recent 209's Date 8/20/2015 20:37																						
Priority	State	Unit	Incident	Suppression Strategy	Descriptive Location	Size	24 hr Change	%	Expected Contain Date	Complexity / IC	Crews Assigned		Helicopters Assigned			Critical Needs				Threats	Matrix Value	
											T-1	T-2 or 21A	T-1	T-2	T-3	T-1	T-2 or 21A	T-1	T-2			T-3
1	ID	PAF	Tepee Springs	60% Confine 40% Full	20 miles south of Riggins, ID	6,977	+367	5%	10/15	Type 2 Demasters	6	6	2	1	2	6 IHC, 5 T2IA				Elk Creek Community 250 Residences		
2	ID	SCF	Bobcat	Point	15 miles N of Salmon, ID	247	-68	0%	NR	Type 3 Gerhardson		4	1		1	3 T1 IHC's, T1 Helo, T2 Helo				Residences, 31 MixCom/ 17 Outbuildings, 100002		
3	ID	SIS	Rapid	20% Cinfine 80% Full	12 miles SW of McCall, ID	1,706	+304	2%	9/2	Type 2 Dunford	3	6	1			2 T1 IHC's, 2 T1 Helo, 1 T2 Helo (crew shuttle)				Road and Trail Closures, Grazing allotments		
3	ID	SIS	West Scriver	Full	10 miles NW of Crouch, ID	576	-31	95%	8/23	Type 2 Dunford	1	7	1	1	1					Comm. Tower, timber sale, community of Crouch		
4	ID	BOF	Cougar	Full	12 miles NE of Cascade, ID	811	+92	48%	NR	Type 2 Rosenthal	4	2	1	1	1				1 Hoist Helo.	Timber, structures w/in 2.5 miles, Road Closures		
5	ID	PAF	Campbells	Point	10 miles SE of Dixie, ID	1,958	+184	0%	10/10	Type 3 Sawyer									IR flight/IRIN	Pvt. Holdings, Area Closure		
6	ID	BOD	Soda	Full	40 miles SW of Boise, ID	283,686	NC	95%	8/25	Type 3 Budd		1			1					CSGH, Ranch, Residences, trail and area closures		
7	NV	CCD	Cold Springs	Full	50 miles east of Fallon, NV	4,012	NC	90%	8/22	Type 3 Hecht		8			2					SGH, road and area closures, 1 Outbuilding		
***Notes of Significance***																						

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For more detail, see [Great Basin 7-Day Fire Potential Outlook](#)

For additional information go to: [Great Basin Coordination Center Web Site](#)